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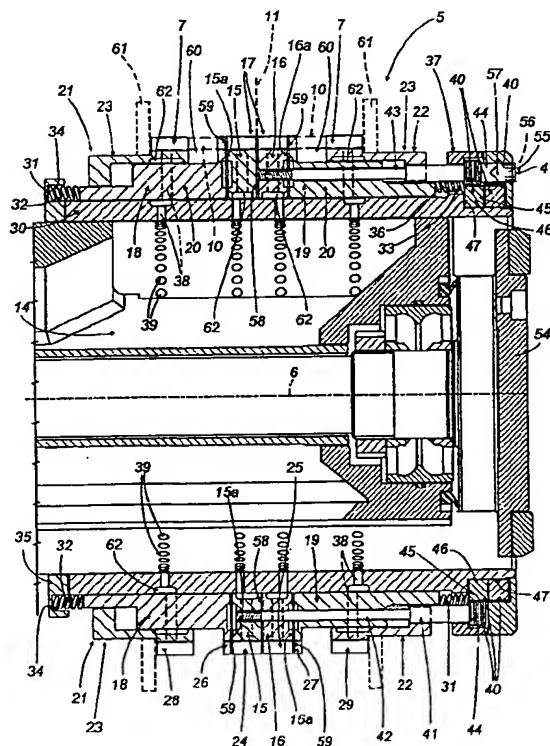
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(57) Abstract: In a filter tip attachment machine, filter
rods (2) are taken up from a hopper by a roller (5) fur-
nished with longitudinal flutes (7), each accommodat-
ing one rod (2) and operating in conjunction with one
or more rotating disc cutters (11) by which the rods (2)
are divided into two or more plugs (10); the flutes (7)
are sectional, incorporated into a set of axially slidable
modules (17, 20, 23) ensheathing the take-up roller (5)
and adjustable for position along the rolling surface ac-
cording to the number of plugs (10) that will be cut from
the rod (2), or to the length of the single plug (10), or
both.